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IN THE CURRENT NUMBER.

TERMINAL NOTICES, FIFTY CENTS FOR FRONT LINE,  
EACH INSERTION. FOR LARGER SPACE AND PER-  
MANENT RATES, APPLY AS ABOVE.

## Local Option.

Moderate advocates of measures re-  
straining the sale of liquor have shown  
considerable favor towards local option  
laws. Small communities bound together  
by ties of blood, sympathy, or mutual in-  
terest are better adapted to the settle-  
ment of questions affecting home inter-  
ests than the less homogeneous elements  
of the large towns or cities. Such vil-  
lages can often determine whether the  
sale of liquor shall be restricted by the  
imposition of law or high license fees, or  
prohibited altogether, without arousing  
that intense feeling of resentment which  
is likely to exist in more populous dis-  
tricts.

Nevertheless there will always be strong  
objections to the system called local op-  
tion. For a village to prohibit the sale  
of liquor by a slender majority, throwing  
its dangerous elements into neighboring  
villages where liquors continue to be  
sold, is a selfish policy. It increases the  
evils in one place in order to benefit an-  
other. It can scarcely be said to abate  
them. Another appeal to the ballot and  
the case may be exactly reversed. More-  
over, the law is easily evaded. Ocean  
Grove may refuse to license saloons, but  
the bar is always open near by in Asbury  
Park. With saloons so easily accessible  
there is scarcely any relief from the de-  
mon of drink.

The most serious objection is that the  
determination of this troublesome ques-  
tion is continually the sport of politics.  
Granted that a special election is held  
upon a day set apart for the purpose, and  
that excise commissioners are elected to  
whom the matter is referred; each year  
the ballot is invoked to declare whether  
the town or village shall have high license  
or low license or no license at all. Neigh-  
bors are aroused against neighbors, the  
contest at the polls is sharp and bitter,  
money is freely spent on either side and  
that after all is the result? For a sin-  
gle year there is peace; then further  
strife. Are we to have no end to this  
struggle? Cannot the law-abiding el-  
ements reach some permanent settlement  
of this question? Why not agree to  
some law, which, while it shall serve the  
purpose of those who indulge moderately  
in stimulants, will prevent their increased  
sale, and compel a just payment towards  
the support of the poor and criminal  
classes? We believe that the imposition  
of high license fees offers the only chance  
of placing permanent restraint upon the  
sale of liquor. It is the only scheme  
which will command the votes of moder-  
ate liquor-drinkers, and these must be  
secured to make any plan sufficiently  
stable to be of use. With all due respect  
for those who are working upon other  
lines we look only for failures. It is not  
too late to succeed in the way we have  
pointed out.

When the Township Committee is  
making unusual efforts to keep the pub-  
lic grounds in fine order, it is somewhat  
discouraging to observe that the owners  
of private property do not appreciate the  
improved condition of affairs, but allow  
their own premises to become monuments  
of their indolence and neglect. The con-  
dition of the grounds in front of the Ger-  
man Theological School has on several  
occasions been referred to in our columns,  
but the improvements made in them are  
not easily observed. This School receives  
considerable assistance each year from  
residents of Bloomfield, and we have a  
right to ask that they shall do their share  
toward rendering our streets attractive.  
They receive full benefit of all the im-  
provements upon the Park in front of  
them, and yet pay no attention to their  
own domain. We suggest that the next  
time a collection is taken in our churches  
for their support, the proceeds be intrusted  
to a committee who shall see to it that  
the money thus contributed be first ap-  
plied to putting their lawns and fences  
in good order. If this were done we  
know of some people who would be tempt-  
ed to increase their contributions.

A conditional promise has been secured  
by one of the Ward Associations of New-  
ark of a ten cent fare to New York on the  
Pennsylvania Railroad. The condition  
may never be fulfilled, and so the hopes  
of an enterprising community be disap-  
pointed. Yet the drift even among rail-  
road men is altogether toward lower fares.  
Upon the elevated roads in New York  
five and ten cent fares have proved re-  
numeration even to companies formed  
upon the basis of largely watered stock.  
Within a few years, the road-bed, rolling  
stock and facilities for business of rail-  
roads in this section have greatly improv-  
ed. This has not proved a loss to the  
companies, but the reverse. Why would  
not a ten cent fare to Newark or a fifteen  
cent fare to Bloomfield or Montclair, in a  
few years, prove remunerative by means  
of increased trial?

The death of Samuel J. Tilden de-  
prives the Democratic Party of the man  
whom they have for a long time chosen  
to regard as their ideal statesman. We  
have never been able to see much to re-  
vere in the life of the dead politician.  
He accomplished considerable by aiding  
to destroy his fellow Democrat, the late  
Mr. Tweed, but his own reputation has  
not been spotless, and his connection  
with the "Cipher Dispatches" was al-  
together too close to relieve him from sus-  
picion. His interest in our coast defenses  
was wise and patriotic but a Democratic  
Congress treated his suggestions with  
contempt and gave him the cold shoulder.  
Now that Tilden is dead, we hope that  
his partner "Reform" may attain new  
prominence in politics, unless indeed Re-  
form was buried when Garland and  
Squire came to the front.

## Essex County Public Schools.

Mr. Charles M. Davis, County Super-  
intendent of Schools, makes the following  
report to the State Superintendent, which  
is published in the annual report just is-  
sued.

To E. O. Chapman, State Sup't:

In obedience to law, I have the honor  
to make this report concerning the public  
schools of Essex county.

According to the census of 1885 there  
are two hundred and thirteen thousand  
six hundred and thirty-seven inhabitants  
in this county, of whom fifty-nine thou-  
sand three hundred and eighty-four are  
between the ages of five and eighteen  
years. The following table exhibits the  
population of each city and township, the  
number of school children and the per-  
centage the latter bear to the former:

Cities and Townships.	Census of 1885.	School Children.	Per-centage.
Newark	152,858	43,263	28.4
Orange	15,232	4,415	29
Belleville	3,285	855	26
Franklin	1,692	655	41.4
Bloomfield	6,502	1,656	25.5
Montclair	6,327	1,562	25
Caldwell	3,336	782	23.5
Livingston	1,275	391	30.4
Milburn	2,023	435	21.5
Clinton	2,833	720	25.5
East Orange	19,327	2,485	12.8
West Orange	3,812	1,096	28.8
South Orange	4,225	1,119	26.5
Total	213,637	59,384	27.8

The percentage of Franklin, forty-one  
and one-half, so greatly exceeds the aver-  
age, twenty-seven and four-fifths, as to  
cause a suspicion of some error, either in  
the census of population or in that of  
school children. The discrepancy is some-  
what lessened by grouping Belleville and  
Franklin, both of which were in one and  
the same township when the district  
lines were not disturbed, grouped the  
percentage, thirty-one, is still high.

During the past school year thirty  
thousand nine hundred and seventy-two  
pupils have been enrolled, under the  
charge of five hundred and forty-three  
teachers. The average attendance was  
twenty-one thousand one hundred and  
thirty-five; not quite forty to each teach-  
er. The difference between the pay of  
male and female teachers for the same  
services is not great. There are but fif-  
ty-three of the former, most of whom are  
principals or assistant principals of large  
schools, while of the latter there are four  
hundred and ninety, mostly assistants.  
In the ungraded district schools the sal-  
aries vary but little. Of these teachers,  
four hundred are employed in the cities  
of Newark and Orange, under City Su-  
perintendents, leaving one hundred and  
thirty-three under the immediate super-  
vision of the County Superintendent.  
They may be arranged as follows:

Graduates from college	16
Graduates from N. J. State Normal School	10
Undergraduates, N. J. State Normal School	4
Graduates from Normal Sch. of other States	29
Graduates from Academies and High Schs.	44
Not graduates	34
Total	143

## CERTIFICATES.

State first grade	5
State second grade	11
State third grade	4
County first grade	20
County second grade	28
County third grade	36
Licenses, special	121
Total	143

No school district extends into a neigh-  
boring county, and, except in cases where  
great inconvenience would result from  
too strict adherence to the rule, township  
lines have been made lines of districts, so  
that if any time a law should be passed  
establishing township boards of education,  
the system could be easily introduced  
into this county.

All the districts except two voted spe-  
cial taxes for the support of the schools.  
In these two districts the balance in the  
hands of the Collector was thought suffi-  
cient for the year. East Orange votes a  
township tax of \$5 for each child on the  
census list, in addition to the money voted  
in the respective districts.  
After making due allowance for chil-  
dren from five to seven years of age,  
whose parents think them too young to

attend school, and for those from fifteen  
or sixteen to eighteen, who have left  
school to engage in work, there are still  
too many reported as "attending no  
school during the year." The County  
Superintendent does not seem to have  
any legal power to act in regard to these  
delinquents.

One new school-house has been built  
outside of the city—in No. 7, Bloomfield.  
This district now has four fine school  
buildings, all of brick, valued at \$70,000.  
Ashland district, No. 37, East Orange  
has made a large addition to its main  
school building, at an expense of \$10,000.  
There are no "very poor" school-houses  
in the county; but one that is "poor,"  
two "medium." The rest are "good,"  
or "very good." There is constantly a  
demand for more room, either by enlarg-  
ing present buildings, or by erecting new  
ones. Where the districts are large the  
tendency is toward additional buildings.

Contributions were made to the New  
Orleans Exposition by every school that  
was in session when the blanks were cir-  
culated, except the schools of District No.  
7, Bloomfield. Gen. C. H. Barney, Com-  
missioner for New Jersey to the Exposi-  
tion, reported that of twenty-one awards  
to the State, five were to single institu-  
tions, the remaining sixteen for exhibits  
made by cities or towns. The Newark  
public school received diplomas of honor  
for pupils' work, scrap books and draw-  
ings from high schools. The Orange  
public school received diplomas for pu-  
pils' work. Vernon L. Davey's school,  
District No. 36, received a diploma for  
home-made philosophical apparatus.

Of the one hundred and forty-three  
teachers under my special superintendence,  
about one hundred thirty are in  
graded schools in which so-called methods  
are more or less employed. The danger  
of carrying method to extremes is begin-  
ning to be appreciated, and I am happy  
to say that there is among the teachers a  
growing effort to make individuality, both  
of the teacher and the scholar, more  
prominent, and to use methods as mere  
means, not an end.

It will easily be gathered from the  
above statements that the present school  
system is highly valued by the people of  
the county, who contribute liberally to its  
support; that school officers are quite  
generally faithful and interested in their  
work, and that we have a body of well-  
educated, earnest and successful teachers.  
But we have not attained to perfection;  
when our children leave school, we find  
that they are not so well-fitted for self-  
support as we could wish. How to remedy  
this is one of our great unsolved prob-  
lems. But we are working earnestly at it.

## State Items.

The Post Office Department has made  
378 changes out of 779 post offices in  
New Jersey. Jos. D. Hill has been ap-  
pointed at Walnut Valley.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Relief  
Fund, during June, paid to the United  
Railroad employees \$4,250 for deaths,  
\$265.50 for accidents and \$1,098.60 for  
sickness.

The New Jersey watermelon crop will  
be far below the average. The vines  
have been ruined largely by rot, and the  
crop which will be gathered will be late.

James Gallagher, who for several years  
has been principal of the Paulboro Public  
School, has received from Secretary  
Lamar, of the Interior Department, an  
appointment as teacher in an Indian  
school in New Mexico at a salary of \$2,000.  
Mr. Gallagher is a Democrat.

The Egyptian lotus has been natural-  
ized near Bordentown, where was sown  
the seed some years ago. The lilies now  
cover half an acre of lake surface which  
leaves two feet in diameter, above which  
the flower stalks rise fully six feet. The  
blooms themselves are six inches across,  
of bright peach blow pink and delicious-  
ly fragrant.

Lightning performed a singular freak  
near Philipsburg last week. It struck  
the cupola on the barn of Mrs. S. E.  
Horne, demolished it, cut a swath four  
feet wide from the slate roof, destroyed  
the corner of the structure, entered the  
building, killed a horse, leaped over a  
mile by its side and killed a second mule  
in the adjoining stall.

Adjutant General Stryker is perfecting  
the military history of New Jersey. He  
has recently issued a circular requesting  
the various commandants of the State  
troops in the late war to send to his office  
such muster rolls and other documents  
in their possession. Copies will be made  
of them and the originals returned to  
their owners. Although New Jersey has  
the best record of her volunteer soldiery  
in the Union, it is proposed to make it  
as complete and correct as possible.

Interesting out-of-door commemorative  
exercises in connection with the Centen-  
nial Anniversary of the completion of the  
stone parsonage belonging to the Baptist  
Church of Scotch Plains (erected  
July 31, 1786, as indicated by the inscrip-  
tion on a triangular stone in the wall of  
the venerable edifice), took place on Sat-  
urday last. In the rear of the manse a  
booth had been raised, where a free col-  
lation was provided for the large com-  
pany assembled. In front were a plat-  
form and seats.

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including POLKA DOTS for the boys. Now  
the best of this arrangement is that the Collars  
are as free as water to you. All you have to do  
is to purchase a pound of Tea or Baking Powder  
or 1 pound of Coffee, and you may keep your  
check. WE DON'T WANT IT, and the Collar  
you may have besides. The old remark, "How  
can you Tea and Coffee be good for anything  
when with it you give such a wonderful pres-  
ent?" We repeat an old saying simply. We  
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of obtaining the reward. Why? THEY DON'T  
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Saturday or during the following week, and pro-  
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out drawing on your pocket-book for it. Econ-  
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Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of a  
warrant issued by the Township Committee  
of the Township of Bloomfield, in the County  
of Essex and State of New Jersey, bearing  
date the 2d day of June, 1886, to make the  
unpaid taxed assessed on lands, tenements,  
hereditaments and real estate in said town-  
ship in the year 1884, the subscriber, Collector  
of Taxes for the said township will on  
WEDNESDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF  
SEPTEMBER NEXT,

at the hour of 2 P. M., at his office in Dodd's  
building, Glenwood avenue, in said township  
sell the lands, tenements, hereditaments and  
real estate hereunder described at public  
vendue, for the shortest term, not exceeding  
thirty years, for which any person or persons  
will agree to take the same, and pay such  
taxes with the interest thereon, from the 30th  
day of October, A. D. One Thousand, Eight  
Hundred and Eighty-four, together with all  
costs, fees, charges and expenses.

## DISTRICT NO. 1.

31 Day, Mary A., one house, 22 acres, s. s. road to Passaic.	\$34.38
34 De Vourang, Richard, est. one house, 2 acres, e. of and n. rear of Isaac Powleson.	8.50
81 Lyon, Wm., one house, 28 acres, part of the farm formerly be- longing to Cynantha Van Win- kle, lying on west side of Pat- erson road.	37.20
108 Powleson, Jared, one house, 12 acres, w. s. Paterson road.	15.30
112 Parsons, Cyrus, one house 9 acres, e. s. of Paterson road.	23.33
113 Parsons, Cyrus, one house 6 acres, s. of Gorrine D. Ack- man.	16.94
128 Sargeant, one house 34 acres, w. s. Paterson road, s. of Dr. Davis.	22.10
129 Van Houten, Cor. 2 houses, 32 acres, w. s. road to Paterson.	93.40
130 Van Houten, Al, one house w. s. road to Paterson.	22.56

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

24 Baldwin, Nathaniel H., one house, n. est. J. C. Pitt, e. Ed. H. Davay, s. Joseph Sauxay, w. Broad street.	69.76
415 Kent, Aaron H., one house, 7 acres, s. s. Franklin street, Belleville line.	47.32
539 Post, Mrs. Jacob, one store, w. s. Bloomfield avenue, s. of Ex- ter estate.	6.54
568 Pine, Mrs. F. D., one house, e. s. Bloomfield ave. n. of J. B. Harvey.	43.00
695 Schamp, Louis, one house, e. s. Bloomfield avenue, s. of Wm. H. C. Dodd.	33.79
769 Weeks, Dr. G. M., 2 of a s. s. Franklin street, ad. Cole.	10.90

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

2 Boyne, James Jr., one house e. of canal, n. of O'Connor.	14.08
10 Boyne James Sr., one house, s. s. of Spring street, n. of canal	15.61
19 Baylis, Thomas, est., one house, s. Liberty street, 1st n. Orchard.	13.08
20 Baylis, George and Richard, w. s. Orchard street.	23.98
36 Bruett, Andrew J., one house 2 lots, s. s. Orchard street.	28.12
114 Gillis, J. S., 40 acres, s. s. of road to Franklin.	57.56
118 Halstead, D. C., formerly, 44.70 acres, w. s. Pleasant avenue.	65.40
119 Hutchinson, Lucius, 5 acres.	7.84
124 Higgins, Thomas, one house, s. s. Liberty street, corner of Hickory.	13.49
186 Martin, est., James, 2 lots, s. of house at head of plane.	2.18
204 Pierson, Cyrus F., one house, w. s. Orchard street, cor. Mont- gomery.	30.52
242 Van Winkle, Cornelius, one house, n. s. Montgomery street, e. of Mrs. Per.	26.16

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

253 Gorsline, Mrs. 2 lots, s. s. Myrtle street, 50 ft. each.	8.72
270 Groshong, Mrs. F. A., one house n. s. 2d street.	21.80
307 Holt, Wm., one house, s. s. Ma- oils avenue, rear of Peloubet, 1 lot n. s. Linden avenue, east of Myers.	10.81
360 Jackson, Bridget, one house, w. s. Orange street, cor. Peloubet avenue.	11.19
378 Jones, Wm. C., one house, s. s. Lake street, No. 9 brick row.	20.62
464 McKenna, Peter, 2 houses, 1st w. s. Bloomfield avenue, opposite Park avenue, 2d, w. s. Glen- wood ave. west.	18.44
351 Porter & Crowfoot, lots, near Israel Dodd's saw mill.	3.27
606 Shiel, Edward, one house, s. s. Maolis avenue, w. of Holt.	9.72
625 Schrupp, Fred, one house, w. s. Bloomfield avenue, s. of Mrs. Yost.	49.74
696 Wakeman, Richard, one house w. s. Bloomfield avenue, n. of Moffet.	25.63
727 Yost, Mrs., one house, w. s. Bloomfield avenue, n. of F. Schrump.	39.24

Payment must be made before the con-  
clusion of the sale; otherwise the property  
will be immediately resold.

The whole amount of tax, interest and cost  
will be made known on the day of sale.

Witness my hand and seal this 7th day of  
August, A. D. 1886.